# County Cable Advocacy Committee (CCAC) Meeting Minutes for March 20, 2019

## Meeting started 7:00 pm

**Members and county staff in attendance:** Lonta Townsend, Yen Chen, Marjorie Williams, Dorshae Demby, Stephen Boliek, Liel Carmel, Peter Jablow and Bernadette Garrett

## Agenda items discussed:

#### I. January 2019 meeting minutes approved

#### **II. County Cable Budget Overview**

a. Budget overview provide by Gaye Barksdale & Donna Keating. Briefing was comprised of a discussion on budget line items and provided insight on County Executive methodology in creating the budget and how funds are usually allocated

### b. Takeaways:

- (1) Committee members gained a better sense of how past, present and future of budgetary cable line items are determined
- (2) A basic informational foundation was created for the committee to better prepare for upcoming cable budgetary concerns and become familiar with the budgetary process

# II. Process for making recommendations

- a. Committee received recommendations on how to engage with the Government Operations (GO) committee and county council members; we can visit the GO webpage <a href="https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/COUNCIL/Committee/GOComm.html">https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/COUNCIL/Committee/GOComm.html</a> or County Council webpage <a href="https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov">www.montgomerycountymd.gov</a> for additional information
- b. CCAC plans to attend upcoming budgetary meetings to glean procedural norms

#### III. Fact finding needs

- (a) Copy of the current budget discussed during meeting (see Attachment 1)
- (b) Points of contact for PEGs

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(c) Once PEGs are identified committee members will schedule appropriate engagement to become more knowledgeable on entities services and advocacy needs

IV. Charter – Would like to follow up during May 15 meeting?
 V. Fiber Plan – Would like to discuss during May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting?
 VII. Cable percentage transferred

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:15**